

Application No. 09/694,090
Amendment dated October 12, 2004

REMARKS

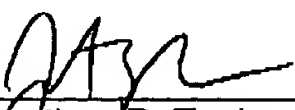
Claims 1, 10-12, 15 and 24 have been amended. Claims 3, 13 and 14 have been cancelled. Independent claims 1 and 10 have been amended to recite that the carrier is an electron. Claims 11, 12, 15 and 24 have been amended to provide consistency of claim terminology or dependency in view of the claim amendments and cancellations. No new matter has been added. Claims 1, 2, 4-12, 15-33 and 36-42 are pending.

Applicants would like to thank Examiner Uhlir for the helpful telephone discussion with Applicants' representatives on October 12, 2004. During this discussion, it was agreed that the presently amended claims are in full compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, 1st paragraph. The most recent Office Action, mailed on March 17, 2004, included rejections only under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 1st paragraph. Accordingly, it is believed that there are no longer any rejections against the pending claims.

In conclusion, all of the grounds raised in the outstanding Office Action for rejecting the application are believed to be overcome or rendered moot based on the remarks above. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently presented claims are in form for allowance. Should the Examiner feel a discussion would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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